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House and Senate Joint Transportation Committee Michigan State Legislature C/O Ms. Pat Convery Howell Chamber of Commerce

Dear Legislators:

This letter is in lieu of a personal presentation due to short notice regarding your hearing on March 28th.

Our business in Howell is being starved by the lack of ready truck access due to the increasing congestion in this rapidly growing area and the lack of highway infrastructure. We are, therefore, gradually transferring production and jobs to our plant in Virginia where these problems do not exist.

Specifically the lack of access to I-96 and the lack of capacity on two lane M-59 are cited by truckers having trouble servicing our Howell plant. We are unable to understand why long planned projects to fix these problems have not been carried out. All we seem to do is talk about these issues but make no progress in addressing them.

Your support for implementing highway and access improvements in this congested area will be critical to our ability to maintain our headquarters here.

Thanks for your interest.

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